

14-8-B. Studies and Investigations Related to Cost Recovery and
Enforcement Decisions; Special Notice

1. AUTHORITY. Pursuant to the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act (CERCLA), as amended, to make determinations as to the necessity and appropriateness of studies and investigations related to the recovery of response costs and the enforcement of the provision of this Act, and to undertake such studies and investigations; and to make decisions, determinations, findings, notifications and non-binding allocations of responsibility under Section 122.

2. TO WHOM DELEGATED. To the Director, Superfund Division; and to the Chiefs of the Remedial Response Branches, the Emergency Response Branches, and the Enforcement & Compliance Assurance Branch in the Superfund Division.

3. LIMITATIONS. Prior to the exercise of any authority in paragraph 1 by any delegatee in paragraph 2 with respect to a matter that is the subject of a litigation referral, in litigation or under court order, the delegatee must receive the concurrence of the Regional Counsel or the Regional Counsel's designee.

4. REDELEGATION AUTHORITY. This authority may not be re-delegated.

5. ADDITIONAL REFERENCES.

- a. Sections 104, 106, 107, and 122 of CERCLA.
- b. All applicable Agency guidance and directives.
- c. See delegation 14-6 for issuance of Section 104(e) requests.